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[0099] The present invention has also for object the optically active substituted alpha-indanyl amide alpha-amino-indane derivatives of formula (I):

## Amendments to the Abstract

Please replace the original abstract with the following amended abstract:

A process for the preparation of optically active substituted alpha-indanyl amide alpha-aminoindane derivatives of formula (I), which include: an asymmetric hydrogenation reaction of an en-amide derivative of formula (III) in presence of hydrogen and an optically active catalyst, in order to obtain an amide derivative of formula (II), a hydrolysis reaction of the amide

derivative of formula (II) obtained in the previous step,

in order to obtain optically active substituted alpha-indanyl—amide alpha-amino-indane derivatives of formula (I).